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Attorney Docket No. 92815pus
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Title A REMOVABLE BACK SUPPORT APPARATUS FOR USE
Express Mail Label No.

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 22]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
- Cross Reference to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table,
or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 119) [Total Sheets 3]
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1.63(d)(2) and 1.53(b).
6. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
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 - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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 - ii. ☐ paper
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement [Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)]
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 [Copies of IDS
Citations]
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
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101 740 201 370 Utility filing fee

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106 330 206 165 Design filing fee

107 510 207 255 Plant filing fee

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114 160 214 80 Provisional filing fee

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND

Total Claims 10 -39** = 0 X

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105 130 205 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath

127 50 227 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet

139 130 139 130 Non - English specification

147 2,520 147 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination

112 920* 112 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action

113 1,840* 113 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action

115 110 215 55 Extension for reply within first month

116 400 216 200 Extension for reply within second month

117 920 217 460 Extension for reply within third month

118 1,440 218 720 Extension for reply within fourth month

128 1,960 228 980 Extension for reply within fifth month

119 320 219 160 Notice of Appeal

120 320 220 160 Filing a brief in support of an appeal

121 280 221 140 Request for oral hearing

138 1,510 138 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding

140 110 240 55 Petition to revive - unavoidsable

141 1,260 241 640 Petition to revive - unintentional

142 1,280 242 640 Utility issue fee (or reissue)

143 460 243 230 Design issue fee

144 620 244 310 Plant issue fee

122 130 222 130 Petitions to the Commissioner

123 50 123 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(d)

126 180 126 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Statement

581 40 581 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)

146 740 246 370 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))

149 740 249 370 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))

179 740 279 370 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)

169 900 169 900 Request for expedited examination of a design application

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